Intelligence Research Analyst

Job Title: Intelligence Research Analyst

Agency: Department of Energy

Hiring Organization: Office of Intelligence and Counterintelligence

Job Announcement Number: 16-0002

SALARY RANGE: \$53, 435.00 to \$84, 044.00/Per Year

OPEN PERIOD: Thursday, January 14, 2016 to Thursday, January 21, 2016

SERIES & GRADE: GS-0132-9/11

POSITION INFORMATION: Full Time - Permanent

PROMOTION POTENTIAL: GS-11

DUTY LOCATIONS: 2 vacancies - Washington, DC Metro Area, DC, US

WHO MAY APPLY: OPEN TO ALL U.S. CITIZENS

SECURITY CLEARANCE: Q - Sensitive

SUPERVISORY STATUS: No

JOB SUMMARY:

About the Agency

The Department of Energy's Office of Intelligence and Counterintelligence (DOE-IN) provides timely and direct intelligence, counterintelligence and cyber support to the Secretary of Energy, the Administrator of the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) and other DOE/NNSA senior officials, National Laboratory leadership and the Intelligence Community (IC). DOE-IN analyzes and produces intelligence related to foreign nuclear programs, proliferation issues, energy security, and other national security issues relevant to DOE policy-makers. DOE-IN also develops and implements effective counterintelligence and cyber programs that identify, neutralize and deter foreign government penetration of the DOE enterprise, and protect its people, facilities, technologies, intellectual property and networks.

The DOE-IN Mission: Identify and mitigate threats to U.S. national security and the DOE Enterprise and inform national security decision making through scientific and technical expertise.

The position requires a DOE Q clearance and a Top Secret Security clearance with Special Compartmented Information (SCI) Access. All employees assigned to the Office of Intelligence and Counterintelligence must successfully pass a counterintelligence (CI) evaluation, and may be subject to a CI-scope polygraph examination. These clearances and accesses are an absolute requirement for this position. It is imperative that the incumbent maintain eligibility for them. Without these clearances and accesses, it is not possible to perform the functions of the position. Loss of these clearances will require dismissal.

The purpose of this position is to serve as an Intelligence Research Specialist in the Energy Security Division (ESD) within the Directorate of Intelligence Analysis. This position involves conducting research, identifying and summarizing relevant information, and assisting senior analysts with briefings and written analytic products. The incumbent is responsible for conducting this work on oil, gas, coal, and renewable energy sources for the Western Hemisphere or Middle East region. ESD's primary mission is to research and analyze information on energy security issues, such as evaluating a country's energy system in the areas of reliability and resilience, availability and accessibility, governance and government stability, affordability, and sustainability. ESD provides intelligence assessments to Energy principals to inform the development of policies and strategies to understand and act upon energy security issues, threats, and concerns that may affect US national security interests.

The DOE IN program is established in Title XXXII of the FY 2000 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). Authority is derived from that legislation as well as Executive Order 12333, "U.S. Intelligence Activities," dated April 12, 1981 and the "Atomic Energy Act of 1954," as amended. The CI program's relationship with the FBI is defined by a variety of legislative and executive directives summarized in a "Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Energy and the FBI," dated May 10, 1999.

You must be able to obtain and maintain a DOE "Q" clearance with access to Sensitive Compartmented (SCI) Access/Security Clearance. All employees of the CI Directorate are subject to and must successfully complete a CI Evaluation, which may also include a CI-scope polygraph examination. These clearances and accesses are an absolute requirement for this position. It is imperative that the incumbent maintain eligibility for them. Without these clearances and accesses, it is not possible to perform these functions. Loss of these clearances will require dismissal.

This position is in the Excepted Service. For information the Excepted Service, please visit: Excepted Service Appointing Authorities@http://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/hiring-authorities/excepted-service//

Excepted Service includes all position in the executive branch of the Federal Government which are specifically accepted from the competitive service by or pursuant to statue, by the President, or by the Office of Personnel Management, and which are not in the Senior Executive Service.

TRAVEL REQUIRED

0-25%

RELOCATION AUTHORIZED

No

KEY REQUIREMENTS

- U.S. Citizenship is required.
- Background and/or Security Investigation are required.
- THIS POSITION IS NOT IN THE BARGAINING UNIT COVERED UNDER NTEU.
- Relocation expenses will not be paid.
- All supplemental documentation MUST BE received by the closing date.
- Meet all qualification requirements by the closing date.

MAJOR DUTIES:

As the Intelligence Research Specialist, you will perform the following:

- 1. Analyze, assimilate, and evaluate all available and relevant information (both classified and unclassified) on energy issues for Western Hemisphere or Middle East countries. Select relevant information for inclusion and summary in shared database.
- 2. Prepare finished analytic reports or contribute to larger studies, compilations, or intelligence publications. Support DOE intelligence officers by tracking information needs of senior policymakers in assigned area of responsibility;
- 3. Support staff preparation of intelligence briefings for senior DOE senior officials, including the Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Assistant Secretaries, Administrator of the Energy Information Administration, and other pertinent U.S. government officials. Represent DOE positions on foreign energy issues to other U.S. Intelligence Community (IC) members and other U.S. Government agencies. Ensure that IC products appropriately represent DOE positions and expertise and that the IC is informed of DOE positions and conclusions on energy issues;
- 4. Submit collection requirements to support analysis of foreign energy issues and convey DOE intelligence requirements to appropriate intelligence collection agencies and handle classified documents, work with classified computer systems, and ensure proper security requirements and protocols are met.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED: SPECIALIZED EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

In order to qualify for this position, your resume must provide sufficient experience and/or education, knowledge, skills, and abilities, to perform the duties of the specific position for which you are being considered. Your resume is the key means we have for evaluating your skills, knowledge, and abilities, as they relate to this position. Therefore, we encourage you to be clear and specific when describing your experience. You must meet the following requirements by the closing date of this announcement.

At the GS-9 level, you may substitute education for specialized experience as follows: master's or equivalent graduate degree; or 2 full years of progressively higher level graduate education leading to such a degree; or LL.B. or J.D., if related.

OR

Specialized experience for the GS-09: For the GS-09, you must have one year of specialized experience at a level of difficulty and responsibility equivalent to the GS-07 grade level in the Federal service. Specialized experience for this position includes: a basic knowledge of oil, gas, coal, and renewable energy issues in Western Hemisphere or Middle East countries, particularly the ability to identify, analyze and evaluate raw data on politics, economics, infrastructure, and technology. A basic understanding of the technical aspects of energy research, analysis, and writing <u>must</u> be demonstrated.

At the GS-11 level, you may substitute education for specialized experience as follows: Ph.D. or equivalent doctoral degree; or 3 full years of progressively higher level graduate education leading to such a degree; or LL.M., if related.

OR

Specialized experience for the GS-11: For the GS-11, you must have one year of specialized experience at a level of difficulty and responsibility equivalent to the GS-09 grade level in the Federal service. Specialized experience for this position includes: a general knowledge of oil, gas, coal, and renewable energy issues in Western Hemisphere or Middle East countries, particularly the ability to identify, analyze and evaluate raw data on politics, economics, infrastructure, and technology. A basic understanding of the technical aspects of energy research, analysis, and writing, <u>must</u> be demonstrated.

The experience may have been gained in either the public or private sector. One year of experience refers to full-time work; part-time work is considered on a prorated basis. To ensure full credit for your work experience, please indicate dates of employment by month/day/year, and indicate number of hours worked per week on your resume.

"Experience" refers to paid <u>and</u> unpaid experience. Examples of qualifying unpaid experience may include: volunteer work done through National Service programs (such as Peace Corps and AmeriCorps); as well as work for other community-based philanthropic and social organizations. Volunteer work helps build critical competencies, knowledge, and skills; and can provide valuable training and experience that translates directly to paid employment. You will receive credit for all qualifying experience, <u>including</u> volunteer experience.

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You must meet \underline{all} qualifications and eligibility requirements by the closing date of this announcement.

EDUCATION:

Education must be obtained from an accredited institution recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. Foreign education must be reviewed by an organization recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. For special instructions pertaining to foreign education and a list of organizations that can evaluate foreign education, see the Department of Education website.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

- Drug Testing
- Security clearance: must be able to obtain and retain a "Q" security clearance with Special Compartmented Information (SCI) access.
- Must successfully complete a CI Evaluation, which may also include a CI-scope polygraph examination. . These clearances and accesses are an absolute requirement for this position. It is imperative that the incumbent maintain eligibility for them. Without these clearances and accesses, it is not possible to perform these functions. Loss of these clearances may constitute grounds for dismissal.

HOW YOU WILL BE EVALUATED:

The HR Office and/or Subject Matter Expert (SME) will conduct a quality review of your application and supporting documentation to ensure you have been placed into the appropriate quality category.

Your application is rated based on the extent and quality of your experience, education (when applicable), and training as described in your resume and applicant assessment. Your credentials are measured against the established duties of the position at the grade level(s) being advertised.

If your resume is incomplete or does not support the responses you provided in your online questionnaire, or if you fail to submit all required documentation before the vacancy closes, you may be rated 'ineligible', 'not qualified', or your score may be adjusted accordingly.

BENEFITS:

You can review our benefits at: https://help.usajobs.gov/index.php/Pay_and_Benefits

OTHER INFORMATION:

- The U.S. Department of Energy fosters a diverse and inclusive workplace and is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
- Veterans and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply. For more information, please visit the links at the bottom of this page or visit the FedsHireVets website.
- More than one selection may be made from this vacancy announcement.
- Some positions may require completion of a probationary period of up to 1 (one) year.
- Many positions require successful completion of a background investigation.
- All males born after December 31st 1959 must abide by laws regarding Selective Service registration. To learn more about this law, visit the Selective Service web page, Who Must Register. If you are not registered and don't have an approved exemption, you will not be eligible for employment with the Federal government.

EEO Policy: http://www.usajobs.gov/eeo

Reasonable Accommodation Policy: http://www.usajobs.gov/raps

Veterans Information: http://www.usajobs.gov/vi

Telework: www.telework.gov

Selective Service Registration: http://www.sss.gov/

HOW TO APPLY:

Resumes and supplemental documentation will be accepted via email to DOE-INHRApplications@doe.gov. To be considered for this position, you must submit your complete application no later than 11:59pm U.S. Eastern Time on the closing date of this announcement. Requests for extensions will not be granted.

Steps to submit a complete application:

NOTE: This is an Internal Announcement for Current Federal Employees Only that are currently working for the Department of Energy, Office of Intelligence and Counterintelligence.

- 1. Go to http://energy.gov/office-intelligence-and-counterintelligence to review the Vacancy Announcement listed under "CAREER OPPORTUNITIES".
- 2. Carefully review the entire application. You must respond to all applicant assessment questions, if requested, carefully following all instructions provided.
- 3. Once you are ready to submit your application, click **APPLY** (located at the top of the announcement page) or initiate an email to <u>DOE-INHRApplications@doe.gov</u>. Include the Job Announcement Number in the Subject line of the email. You are now able to submit your resume and other supporting documents.
- 4. It is ultimately your responsibility to make sure all required documents are uploaded. If you are unsure that your documents were properly submitted, please contact the HR Specialist listed on the announcement BEFORE the vacancy closes.

If your resume is incomplete or does not support the responses you provided in your online questionnaire, or if you fail to submit all required documentation before the vacancy closes, you may be rated 'ineligible', 'not qualified', or your score may be adjusted accordingly.

NEED HELP?

 If you experience any difficulties with the application process (anything after you have clicked the 'Apply' button) or attempted to send an email, please contact the HR Office listed on this announcement between normal business hours. If you are receiving any kind of error message, please be ready to provide a screenshot or at a minimum, the error message text and number. • If you are experiencing a significant hardship which hinders your ability to apply online please contact the HR Office listed on this announcement during normal business hours to discuss your situation.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

A complete application includes a resume, SF-50, and submission of any required documents, such as a DD-214. Please note that if you do not provide all required information, as specified in this announcement, you may not be considered for this position (or may not receive the special consideration for which you may be eligible).

All applicants are required to submit a resume by uploading one of their own choosing. (Cover letters are optional.) To receive full credit for relevant experience, please list the month/date/year and number of hours worked for experience listed on your resume.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE DOCUMENTATION: There is no formal rating system for applying veterans' preference to appointments in the excepted service. However, the Department of Energy considers veterans' preference eligibility as a positive factor in hiring. This link will provide information on the required documentation needed to support your veteran's status- veteran eligibility documentation - (i.e., DD-214, VA Letter, Standard Form (SF) 15 as applicable)..

Please carefully review the following list to determine what documentation you need to submit. Some documents may not apply to all applicants. If you are unsure, click the link for each document type to read more.

ALL APPLICANTS: You must submit a resume supporting your specialized experience and responses to the online questionnaire.

- Your resume should list all work experience (paid and unpaid); you should list the full name and address of the each employer.
- Your experience listing should show the start and end dates (include month, day, and year); you must also list the average number of hours per week that you worked.
- Your resume should also include any education and training you have completed (list the program title, subject area, number of hours completed, and completion date).
- For more information about what to include in your resume, please view this <u>USAJOBS</u>
 Resume Tutorial video on YouTube.
- You can submit a resume in the format of your choice.
- It is important that you are complete and thorough in your resume. If any of the above information is not included in your resume, we may not be able to fully credit you for your experience.

If specific educational requirements are indicated for this vacancy: Documentation verifying your educational claims which can include unofficial transcripts or any report listing institution, course title, credits earned and final grade. Please see the Education section for more information.

Persons with Disabilities: Individuals with intellectual disabilities, severe physical disabilities, or psychiatric disabilities may apply for appointment through the Schedule A hiring authority. Certified verification of a disability from a licensed medical professional; a licensed vocational rehabilitation specialist; or any Federal, state, or District of Columbia agency or U.S. territory that issues or provides disability benefits will be required.

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WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT:

After each step in the recruitment process, your status will be updated in our application tracking system. Once this happens, if you have elected to receive e-mail updates, you will be notified through your **DOE-INHRApplications@doe.gov** e-mail address.